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Title: MEDICAL DEVICE ECG MARKER FOR USE IN COMPRESSED
DATA STREAM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the final Office Action mailed September 17, 2004, having a three-month statutory period for reply set to expire on December 17, 2004. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in advance of the expiration of two-months from the mailing date of the final Office Action.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.